



## What are HOT lanes?

WSDOT is **converting nine miles of HOV** (High Occupancy Vehicle) lanes on SR 167 to HOT (High Occupancy Toll) lanes. This will be a four-year pilot project to determine if HOT lanes are a viable solution for managing congestion.

- **HOT lanes** are lanes that are open to carpools, vanpools, transit, motorcycles, and toll-paying solo drivers.
- When there is space available in the carpool lane, **solo drivers will be allowed to enter the HOT lane by paying a toll.**
- The **toll price will go up as traffic increases.** This allows us to maintain speeds in the HOT lane to keep it moving, even if the regular lanes are congested.
- HOT lanes **manage congestion** and preserve the fast and free trips that carpools, vanpools, transit and motorcycles currently have.



Current



Proposed Concept